IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael T. Romanyszyn

Atty. Docket No: L-0170.57(Div-3)

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR TREATING FLUIDS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully presents herewith a Preliminary Amendment accompanying the filing of the subject case.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-24, 26-28, and 30-44 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

25. (amended) A fluid treating apparatus, comprising:

a first vortex nozzle including a passageway therethrough and a port that inlets a first fluid flow [tangentially] <u>substantially tangential and normal</u> to the passageway, whereby the first vortex nozzle imparts a rotation to the first fluid flow thereby creating a first rotated fluid flow; and

a second vortex nozzle positioned in opposed relation the first vortex nozzle, the second vortex nozzle including a passageway therethrough and a port